

MURRAY, GREEN LASH ATTACK ON WAR EFFORT; AFL HEAD URGES FULL PROBE

The 'Unknown' Hero Is Known



Negro Pearl Harbor Hero: Doris Miller, above, Negro mess attendant on the U. S. S. Arizona, who distinguished himself, his nation and his people when the Japanese carried out their surprise and treacherous attack upon Pearl Harbor. Miller's identity was first discovered and made public by Rep. Vito Marcantonio. Miller, although prevented by Jim-Crow Naval regulations from receiving training to operate guns, nevertheless seized a machine gun from a fallen white sailor and fired away at Japanese planes until his ammunition was exhausted. It was Miller's heroism which was cited by Wendell Willkie Thursday evening in a speech here in which he called for the Navy to drop the discriminatory bars against Negroes in the Navy. Miller was born of sharecropper parents in Waco, Texas. (See editorial "Doris Miller of Pearl Harbor" on page 6 of today's Daily Worker).

Hail CIO Special Session as Boon To U.S. War Effort

National and City Union Leaders Set Out to Capital to Attend Parley

By George Morris

National and New York CIO leaders yesterday, preparing for the emergency conference at Washington set for Monday by President Philip Murray, yesterday saw the meeting as of great significance in the battle to bring war production to new heights.

FDR Cites All-Out Role By Labor

Figures Blast Lies on 'Strikes,' Unions Back Production Drive

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 20.—President Roosevelt gave his press conference this morning some facts and figures which showed that strikes are not one of the real factors holding up American war production.

Later in the day, CIO President Philip Murray and AFL President William Green provided the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on war appropriations with some more statistics on the labor situation.

The general impact of all these facts is to show that the big anti-labor push by apes and tory Congressmen now under way on Capitol Hill is based completely on distortion and deliberate misinterpretation.

President Roosevelt didn't comment directly on the strike situation or on the argument that workers are only permitted to work 40 hours a week. He just left the figures speak for themselves.

WPB FIGURES

The President said that the latest figures supplied by the War Production Board on the average

Time Smith Bill to abolish the 40-hour week and shackle labor, against which the delegates will rally the full strength of the CIO, is a "deliberate attempt to throw a wrench into the production for victory machinery," Joseph Curran, head of Greater New York and Industrial Union Council and a vice-president of the CIO, declared.

Curran and Saul Mills, secretary-treasurer of the New York CIO Council and scores of other heads of unions here, will leave for Washington today and tomorrow for what is looked upon as the most important labor conference since Pearl Harbor.

The deliberate destructive character of the Smith Bill was also cited because it was timed just when War Production Chief Donald M. Nelson fanned out the assembly line offensive and management and labor is beginning to cooperate through joint factory committees.

A BILL FOR HITLER
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WE WILL ATTACK—M'ARTHUR: SOVIETS RETAKE SIX TOWNS

Chinese Repulse Enemy in Burma

Australia Will Hold Casey Says, Tempo of War Increases

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA. (Filed from Melbourne) March 21 (UPI)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur arrives today to organize his "American offensive against Japan" and fight the gathering battle of Australia, already raging in the skies over the fortress-like continent's northern approaches.

MacArthur and his party were scheduled to arrive from Adelaide at 9:30 A. M. (8:30 P. M. EWT Friday).

In a brief, blunt statement at Adelaide—his first since he flew dramatically from the Philippines to assume the supreme command of Allied forces in the Southwest Pacific—MacArthur said:

"The President of the United States ordered me to break through the Japanese lines and proceed from Corregidor to Australia for the purpose, as I understand it, of organizing an American offensive against Japan.

"A primary purpose of this is to re-establish the Philippines. I came through and I shall return."

Of more immediate urgency was MacArthur was stepping. The Allied and Japanese air forces were slugging it out with mounting ferocity over the northern fringe of the commonwealth and the invasion outposts beyond.

Prime Minister John Curtin announced Friday that Japanese bombers and fighters again had raided Port Moresby, most likely jumping off place for an invasion attempt, bombing and machine-gunning targets at the New Guinea port 350 miles across Torres Strait from Cape York.

The overland push along the Markham Valley, led by traitorous Nazi-schooled "missionaries," still had not brought the Japanese in contact with the Australian defenders, according to the latest report.

LONDON, March 20 (UPI)—A crack Chinese Expeditionary Force has gone into action on the Burma Front at Pyu, 110 miles north of

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Failed to Report for Draft, Communists Expel Brooks

At a meeting of the Political Committee, acting on behalf of the National Committee of the Communist Party, on March 20, 1942, a former State Secretary of the Communist Party of Texas, Homer Brooks, was expelled from membership in the Party, it was announced yesterday.

Following is a full text of the expulsion statement:

"Homer Brooks, a former State Secretary of the Communist Party of Texas, is under accusation by the authorities responsible for the administration of the Selective Service Draft, of delinquency through failure to respond to the call to military service.

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Brother of Late McNamara to Talk At 3 City Browder Rallies March 29

A. R. McNamara, noted Ohio trade unionist and brother of J. B. McNamara who died in Folsom prison after 30 years of imprisonment, will be one of the speakers at the three Free Browder rallies Sunday afternoon, March 29, which will also be the closing session of the Congress, it was announced yesterday by the Congress Arrangements Committee.

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CLEVELAND, March 20.—With love and reverence, a rally of representative Cleveland unionists and citizens honored the memory of their fallen hero, Tom Mooney, by pledging themselves to win the freedom of Earl Browder.

The rally greeted with a storm of applause Mooney's fellow frame-up victim, Warren K. Billings; Elizabeth Gurley Flynn; and A. R. McNamara, brother of labor heroes J. B. and J. J. McNamara, and head of the local Citizens Committee to Free Earl Browder.

"Three things," Billings said, "are needed by labor today. They

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Expose Phoney Letter Drive

Anti-Labor Attacks Impede Nation's Fight for Victory, Hearing Told

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, March 20.—CIO President Philip Murray and AFL President William Green declared today that repressive anti-labor legislation would disrupt national unity of labor and management to step up war production.

The two labor chiefs appeared before the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on War Appropriations which is headed by Senator Elmer Thomas of Oklahoma.

Pledging full cooperation to assure continuous operation of war plants, Murray told the Committee that he felt the most important issue in the nation today "is the establishment of real national unity behind the war effort."

Emphasizing the same note of unity, Green asked Congress "not to take the heart out of the voluntary cooperation offered by American workers by fettering them with restrictive legislation."

WANT LETTERS PROBED

Green urged a Congressional investigation of the synthetic letter writing campaign to Congress which started in Oklahoma, and hinted that this drive is being promoted by defeatist forces which are trying to undermine the war effort. He was backed by Murray in his attack on the suspicious character of the Oklahoma campaign.

Senator Harry Truman of Missouri, Chairman of the Senate Committee investigating the Defense Program, said that he would ask his Committee to conduct such an investigation.

Green said that the objective of this Oklahoma letter-writing drive was well organized and designed "to create disunity and strife in the ranks of workers and employers who have joined hands in unified war production effort."

"Who are the men behind this drive?" Green asked. "Who is paying for it? Where do the thousands of dollars that are being spent in conducting it come from?"

What is the connection between the current Oklahoma campaign and the anti-war rallies and mass meetings organized in Oklahoma shortly before Pearl Harbor?"

AFL aides indicated that they have information to show that America First and pro-Nazi groups in Oklahoma are trying to fan this anti-labor campaign in Oklahoma which is now spreading to other states.

Green produced standard telegrams like birthday greetings of anti-labor which had been printed up with four alternative messages, of which the sender checks one. Even the names of Oklahoma Senators and Congressmen had been printed on the telegram, with a box alongside for the right name to be checked off.

The AFL Chief said that "school children were asked

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Special Browder Issue Tomorrow



One Year in Prison

Tomorrow's Sunday Worker—devoted to the campaign for the freedom of Earl Browder—will give its readers a definite picture of the Browder case in authoritative articles by Robert Minor, Roy Hudson, James W. Ford, Alexander Trachtenberg and others. Featured also will be hitherto unpublished photographs of Browder and drawings by staff artists.

Defense Will Not Win the War

An interview with Lieut.-Col. W. F. Kornan, author of the best-seller, "Defense Will Not Win the War."

Technocracy

Technocracy is suddenly being revisited. What is it up to? What kind of program does it have? A special article on technocracy will appear in this Sunday's issue of the

SUNDAY WORKER

Three New York Rallies for Browder's Release on March 29

SIDESWIPES

by del



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FDR's Story: M'Arthur Rowed To Australia

WASHINGTON, March 20 (UP)— A woman asked President Roosevelt at a White House dinner the other night how Gen. Douglas MacArthur got from the Philippines to Australia.

This is the tall tale he told her:

MacArthur took a rowboat. He disguised himself as a Philippine fisherman, put out from Batan Peninsula and passed unrecognized through heavy concentrations of Japanese naval strength. Furthermore, he rowed 2,500 miles right through the Japanese and landed safely.

Mr. Roosevelt said today at his press conference he thinks the woman actually believed him.

Soviets Honor Anniversary Of Commune

Spirit of France Still Lives, Izvestia Says in Tribute

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, March 20.—The Soviet press this week marks the 11th anniversary of the Paris Commune.

Izvestia carries a long article by Colonel A. Galin, in which the author writes:

"Seventy years have elapsed since the great patriotic insurrection of the Parisian people, an insurrection directed against the German conqueror. History has repeated itself, but under different circumstances this time."

"Treachery has also repeated itself, but it has taken a far more vile form."

"Never before has France been in such a tragic situation as she is today. France is bleeding white owing to the treacherous policy of French reaction. The Vichy government is sinking ever lower in its servility to the occupation authorities, in its betrayal of the national interests of the French state."

"But the people, millions of people, cannot be deceived for long in the regime of slavery and treachery foisted on them."

"Such a great people cannot leave the scene of history in ignominy. In 1871 the finest people of France marched hand in hand with the Communards in the struggle against the Prussian occupationists and their allies inside the country."

FRANCE STILL LIVES

"Neither Prussian bayonets nor repressions by Thiers could break the spirit of the French people. "Also today the French people have found the strength to struggle."

"France's finest men are rising up in sacred war against the Prussians and their agents in France."

"All the progressive forces in the country are united in struggle for the honor of the fatherland, for the life of the country."

"France will never perish."

"Not only the inglorious Thiers and Jules Favre have come to life again in their descendants, the Petains. The heroic, courageous Communards live again in the self-sacrificing patriots of France."

"Glory to the great Communards and their descendants. Glory to the patriots of France!"

The Anniversary of a Lie

'Victory Near,' Nazis Said a Year Ago

Axis soothsayers were active:

LONDON, March 20.—Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, had a busy week one year ago.

On March 21, 1941, he opened the week by declaring: "We are convinced that the events of 1940 have already decided the war in favor of Germany and her Allies. The year 1941 will produce the final proof of this."

On March 27, 1941, he closed it with a broadcast: "We know the war is now won for Germany and her Allies, and we believe the whole world will know it at the end of 1941. England, which set out to mobilize the nations against us, is thoroughly isolated today."

Between those two dates, other

ever closer around besieged England and brings to naught the much-lauded American help."

BRESLAU to England: "The facts unmistakably indicate that there can be no question of qualitative or quantitative parity between the German Luftwaffe and the RAF."

ZEESEN to Asia: "The Führer has declared that war is to be decided during this year."

MARCH 25: DEUTSCHLAND-SENDER to Germany: "Germany at all times regarded it as her supreme aim to localize the war and fight it out with her own forces and those of her Italian ally."

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On the War Fronts

(AS OF MARCH 19th)

By A VETERAN COMMANDER

The Japanese are pushing southward across New Guinea with the apparent object of capturing the series of airfields hidden in the valleys between the sharp mountain ridges of the island. Such airfields would give the Japanese Air Force good facilities for the raiding of the ports of northern Australia. Australian troops seemingly have not made contact with the enemy as yet. A series of air battles took place on Australia's northern fringes.

In Burma the British continue to withdraw northward toward their main line which should extend through Prome, Toungoo and along the upper Salween. The British withdrawal from Tharrawaddy means that the junction of the branch railroad serving the port of Bassein has fallen into Japanese hands. Thus this port in the huge mouths of the Irrawaddy must necessarily fall into Japanese hands, too.

The Japanese are making new landings on the coast of China, south of Shanghai. This means that they are afraid that the United Nations might organize air bases along this coast for the purpose of either attacking Japan's sea lines of communications or even raiding Japanese territory proper (Formosa, for instance). This is an example of TACTICALLY OFFENSIVE, but STRATEGICALLY DEFENSIVE action on the part of the enemy.

In spite of the continued reticence of the Soviet communiques which for several days have announced that "no chance of importance has occurred at the front," the situation becomes clear in its main outlines.

Here it is: the Red Army has encircled or almost encircled a number of the most important German forward bases and strong points. This involves the isolation or near-isolation of probably a million German troops. Naturally, the Germans are not going to give them up easily, because these key bases represent for them springboards for future offensive operations.

The German High Command, therefore, is rushing up powerful reinforcements in order to break these "encirclements." The battles now take the form of mighty engagements of the Soviet troops ringing the German strong points with the relief coming up to them. In this particular case "no change" at the front is the very best that can be expected, for it means that the encircled German forces remain encircled.

A causal dispatch from Moscow describes the deposition of a German prisoner taken near Roslavl. The most important thing is not his deposition, but the fact that he was taken at Roslavl. This shows that Soviet troops have pushed forward southeast of Smolensk much further than we thought they had. Roslavl is almost halfway between Smolensk and Bryansk.

On the Leningrad front the Germans seem to have lost an important railroad. The Soviet attack coming probably from the north makes it probable that the railroad lost is a "rockade" or east-west line. It might conceivably be the line Krasnogvardeisk-Kingslase.

ANOTHER WARNING: Stockholm is again outdoing itself in the way of rumors. Hitler has called back all his "Fried" generals! Germans are blowing up Kharkov! etc., etc. All we can say is: steady, please. Don't let yourselves be awed by sensational headlines. Tough days are at hand and our nerves must be steeled. Sensational headlines are a form of dope. I refuse to believe the Americans people need to be doped for a fight.



Soviet Bomber Crew at Front: Standing in front of their long-range bomber are a group of Soviet airmen who have carried out 101 operational night flights and 36 daylight flights and brought down five enemy planes, unusual for a bomber which seeks to avoid aerial combat when on an assignment. Commander of the crew, Taras, is at

—Soviet Radio photo

Red Army Recaptures Six Big Towns

2,500 Points Retaken in Smolensk Drive; 17,000 Killed

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and described successful reconnaissance activity in the Ukraine and guerrilla operations below Leningrad.

A United Press dispatch from Moscow said that Soviet tanks spearheading a two-day drive on the Southern Front captured seven villages and killed 1,000 Germans.

It said that on the Central Front the Red Army stormed and took a strongly fortified village on a hilltop dominating a wide area and wiped out more than two-thirds of the German garrison of 1,500.

On the Northwestern Front the Red Army drove off German formations trying to penetrate the Moscow area Thursday and shot down five raiders from an important communications center. The pilot of the 16th German

Army encircled at Staraya Russa was becoming more unbearable daily, the Red Army reported, and was intensified by the capture of another vital center of resistance.

DESERTIONS INCREASE

The shortage of food and water was described as extreme and desertions were said to be mounting rapidly despite the fact that the Germans shoot their men in the back as they cross to the Soviet lines.

The government newspaper Izvestia said that in one southern sector of the Central Front Soviet units routed the 31st German Engineers Battalion. Under cover of darkness and a snowstorm, the Red Army men rode in on air-propelled sleds and stormed a strongly fortified village the battalion occupied.

Moscow Radio said that on the Southwestern Front Soviet cavalry operating in conjunction with infantry was making surprise raids deep into German lines, spreading panic in the rear.

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McNamara's Brother to Speak at Rally

Will Address One of 3 Browder Meetings on March 29

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are unity, fraternal care for the boys in our armed forces, and the freedom of Earl Browder. These three things will speed our war effort and bring victory sooner.

Other speakers were Bernard V. McGroarty, International Representative of the AFL Stereotypes Union; Hayes Jones of the National Maritime Union; and Max Goldlust, members of the AFL Painters District Council.

The local Citizens Committee announced today that two more unions have elected delegates to the Free Browder Congress in New York: AFL Painters Local 867 and United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, Local 735.

The communique issued at Jubulpur, India, said a Chinese cavalry detachment, working with British forces, intercepted a mixed Japanese force of 400 infantry and cavalry with three armored cars south of Pyu yesterday.

The armored cars were destroyed and some hundred casualties were inflicted," the communique said.

The communique did not specify whether the Chinese forces were part of the Fifth and Sixth Armies just placed under command of U. S. Lieut.-Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell or part of the Chinese vanguard which reinforced the British when they first withdrew from Rangoon.

It indicated that the Japanese were driving ahead toward Toungoo, on the Rangoon-Mandalay road, and highway, since Pyu is 10 miles above Kanpyutkin, last previous reported point of contact in that area.

REPEL THAI TROOPS

The All-India Radio reported that Chinese troops holding down simultaneously from the Rangoon areas—one up the Sittang River valley toward British positions at Toungoo and the other along the Irrawaddy valley toward Prome.

Dispatches from Mandalay revealed how Japanese boat patrols have slipped up the Irrawaddy River west of the Tharrawaddy-Prome area to contact dissident natives in an attempt to organize them for a stab at the British rear.

Australia Will, Casey Says

WASHINGTON, March 20 (UP)—Australia will hold against the impending Japanese onslaught but will need all the help possible,

Richard G. Casey, newly designated Middle East Minister of state in the British War Cabinet, declared today.

"We are going to hold," he said on his arrival today from the west coast with Australian Minister for External Affairs Herbert Vere Evatt.

"It is going to take some doing and we will need all the help we can get from our great friends."

Casey indicated he would accept the Middle Eastern post, which he had discussed by telephone with Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

British Ambassador Lord Halifax, who greeted Evatt, said of Casey's appointment: "We are glad he is assuming new and larger responsibilities in the war."

Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles also greeted Evatt. They

Hitler Controls Italy, Industries and People

By E. M. Ercoli

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)
(This is the third of a series of five articles by Ercoli, dealing with conditions in Fascist Italy.)

MOSCOW, March 20.—Mussolini's imperialist designs were at first directed at the Danube and the Balkans and thus clashed with the appetites of German imperialism. Resistance was but shortlived. This Malibronch from the Palazzo Venezia, so triumphant in speeches and at parades, was soon relegated to the background by the rough German competitor.

The Lardner was sponsored by Mrs. Sidney F. Tyler, 2nd, a descendant of the late Rear Admiral James L. Lardner, Civil War naval hero.

True, Mussolini tried once more to sustain his claims on the Balkans by the seizure of Albania and later by declaring war on Greece. This venture however ended very sadly for him. After invading the Balkan countries, Hitler allowed Mussolini to annex a strip of Adriatic coast and part of Slovenia. The fascist press glorified this victory. But a large part of Yugoslav territory was in Hitler's hands. The German army looted Greece and the Italian army was left in the miserable town of Timoshevsk II. But in this new puppet state the Hitlerites have captured decisive positions, and King Timoshevsk, taking counsel from the Gestapo agents who can always get rid of unwanted guests, finds it more prudent to remain in his Naples villa.

Mussolini made haste to declare the braggart and impotent Italian imperialist who had paved the way for Hitler's fifth column. Mussolini had only paved the way for German imperialism which was following in his footsteps in the Balkan peninsula. It was at that time that the Duke made his "historic" speech proclaiming Africa as the goal of his "empire" campaign. This was followed by a headlong rush into the Ethiopian adventure. Hitler attained his aim: fascist Italy which had brought into a clash with the western democracies and above all Britain had taken a further step

towards vassal dependence on Germany.

Meanwhile Hitler is preparing the same fate for Italian fascism in Africa. In Cyrenaica, which the Italians lost twice, the German army now represents the Axis military might.

But Cyrenaica is practically a desolate waste of insignificant economic value. It will continue to play the role of "revolving plat-

form" of this war for the systematic destruction of Italy's military forces and for quick shifts from offensive to retreat.

VICHY AIDS HITLER

The Vichy traitor government opens to Germany the door to Morocco, Algiers, Tunis and Dakar which are of first rate economic and military importance.

So as not to interfere with the German masters, Mussolini was compelled to shelve his notorious demands on France and the Mediterranean. Crete, key to the western section of the Mediterranean, is already in German hands and on the pretext of organizing a relay service for their African corps, the Germans have consolidated their air bases on Sicily.

A. F. L. Painters Back Browder Congress; Unions from 6 More States Make Plea

District Council 9 Elects Delegates

McLeish to Join Gurley Flynn at Rally in Newark March 25

Joining hands with hundreds of thousands of other unionists in the country New York District Council No. 9, AFL Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America has unanimously elected delegates to the National Free Browder Congress which will assemble in New York City for two day sessions on March 28 and 29.

The Brooklyn District Council No. 11 of the same union likewise went on record without a dissenting vote for Browder's release, on behalf of its 2,000 members.

The New York Central labor body of the painters largest in the country has 11 locals with a membership of 12,000. The motion for the election of delegates was made by Louis Weinstock, leading delegate to the body, who is also administrative secretary of the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder.

Other late developments in the growing campaign to Free Browder are:

NEWARK, N. J.—James McLeish, president of District Council No. 4, URMWA, will join Elizabeth Gurley Flynn on the platform of the Free Browder Rally to be held at the New Continental Auditorium, 982 Broad St., on Wednesday evening, March 25.

Difficulties in carrying out plans for the meeting were overcome when John B. Keenan, Director of Public Safety of the city, informed the New Jersey Citizens Committee, that Corporation Counsel Schroeder had advised that a permit for the meeting was not necessary.

New York—Organized labor in lumber, marine clothing, chemicals and other industries, both AFL and CIO have notified the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder that at their regular membership meetings they have passed resolutions which were forwarded to President Roosevelt requesting the immediate release of Earl Browder from Atlanta Penitentiary.

The trade unions, as well as labor officials listed yesterday include Florida, New York, Washington, Louisiana, Massachusetts and Nebraska.

Jacksonville, Florida branch, National Maritime Union; Boston, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, Local No. 56; Aberdeen, Wash., Polson Camp No. 3 of the Lumberworkers Union; New York Suit Case, Bag and Portfolio Makers Union, Local No. 60; George Fletemen, President, Omaha Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee, Local No. 47; George Edwards, Shop Steward, Omaha Bakery Workers Union, Local No. 216; New Orleans Branch, National Maritime Union; New York Park Drug Co. Employees; Brooklyn workers of R. J. Prentiss Co.; United Mine Workers of America, Local No. 12165 and John Henry, Chairman, Gargaining Committee, Omaha Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee, Local No. 80.

S. O. M. Bernath—The crew of this ship, the 93rd to urge executive clemency for Earl Browder, in a message to President Roosevelt pointed out that Browder is an outstanding fighter against fascism."

Alien Japanese Told to Prepare for Evacuation

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20 (UPI)—Army authorities urged alien Japanese and their American-born children today to put their affairs in order and "prepare to start moving" from prohibited zones on the Pacific Coast.

Col. Karl R. Bendetsen, assistant chief of staff for Civil Affairs of the Western Defense Command, indicated the 100,000 prospective evacuees would be moved with all possible speed to centers in the interior of California.

German and Italian aliens presumably must move too, although a House Committee on Defense Migration has suggested leniency toward those individuals who could prove loyalty to the United States.

Educator Dies

PITTSBURGH, March 20 (UP)—Dr. Ben G. Graham, 61, Superintendent of Public Schools here since 1930, died at his home here today after a heart attack.

One of the nation's foremost educators, Graham had been ailing for several months. He attended a meeting of the school board yesterday.



Countee Cullen, Famous Negro Poet, Urges Browder's Release

Countee Cullen, the famous Negro poet whose writings have been published and republished around the world, said yesterday that "like every other fairminded American I want to see Earl Browder released from prison."

The campaign for Browder's freedom has gained tremendous impetus as outstanding persons from all phases of American life have indicated their support for the National Free Browder Congress, to be held in New York City next weekend, March 28-29.

Mr. Cullen, who has portrayed the struggle of his own people for freedom in many celebrated

poems and other writings, including *The Black Christ*, *The Ballad of the Brown Girl*, *One Way to Heaven* and many others, told us yesterday:

"Earl Browder's detention is a great miscarriage of justice. He is not being punished for a crime, for none was committed, but for his political views solely."

"As a member of a group which has borne and still is bearing, even in these times when all Americans should present a solid front, a great weight of social injustice, much of it with governmental sanction, I ardently hope for the release of Earl Browder."

COUNTEE CULLEN

Reuther Replies to GM on Talks

Union Willing to Hold 'Open' Negotiation; Hits Name-Calling

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, March 20—Walter Reuther, head of the 12-man negotiating committee of the United Automobile Workers, in the current General Motors talks today expressed the hope that the bargaining conference would not "degenerate into a public contest of name-calling."

His statement was in reply to widely-publicized statements by President C. E. Wilson of General Motors demanding that the negotiations be conducted before newspapermen and to denunciations of the union's demand for a \$1 a day raise and the union shop.

"We are perfectly willing," Reuther said, "that the press and public be invited to attend our conference when we get before the National War Labor Board at Washington. In the past we have always conducted our negotiations in private at the corporation's request. As for 'business-as-usual,' where was General Motors 18 months ago when we urged them to convert their facilities for war production?"

At the same time Reuther expressed the hope that the corporation would inaugurate, as requested by War Production Chief Donald M. Nelson, the joint labor-management committee at the 90 plants covered in the contract.

Labor, he said, is 100 per cent behind the production drive and is ready to render all possible assistance to drive up war output.

Hudson County CIO Urges: Free Browder

Elect 2 Delegates to Attend Congress in N. Y. March 28-29

(Special to the Daily Worker)

JERSEY CITY, March 20.—The Hudson County CIO Council, uniting an affiliated membership of 50,000 last night voted to send two delegates to the Free Browder Congress in New York on March 28-29.

Sigmund Bednarski, chairman pro-tem of the council, said a resolution calling upon President Roosevelt to free Browder, was adopted an earlier meeting.

The meeting, held at the headquarters of Local 16, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers, also named a committee to arrange the Hudson County convention of the CIO some time in May.

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Blackburn, Louis Trainer Very Ill

CHICAGO, March 20 (UPI)—The condition of Jack Blackburn, trainer of world's heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis, remains "critical." Prominent hospital attaches reported tonight. Blackburn is suffering from pneumonia.

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Building Service CIO Locals Merge

Union Broke with Lewis Dominated Group Recently

(Special to the Daily Worker)

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Slayer of Parents Also Killed His Grandmother

LOS ANGELES, March 20 (UPI)—Courtney Fred Rogers, bearded 24-year-old church organist who concealed the killing of his parents for months, confessed to authorities today that he also had killed his grandmother with a dose of arsenic six years ago.

All three killings, he said, stemmed from his desire for insurance money with which to further his musical education.

Shortage of Labor by Fall Likely-FDR

Enough Manpower Now But Needs May Force Drain by Autumn

(UPI)

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Alien Japanese Told to Prepare for Evacuation

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20 (UPI)—Army authorities urged alien Japanese and their American-born children today to put their affairs in order and "prepare to start moving" from prohibited zones on the Pacific Coast.

Col. Karl R. Bendetsen, assistant chief of staff for Civil Affairs of the Western Defense Command, indicated the 100,000 prospective evacuees would be moved with all possible speed to centers in the interior of California.

German and Italian aliens presumably must move too, although a House Committee on Defense Migration has suggested leniency toward those individuals who could prove loyalty to the United States.

Knox Warns Norfolk of Peril from 5th Column

Calls Vital Port 'Second Worst Protected' on Atlantic Seabord

NORFOLK, Va., March 20 (UPI)—Secretary of Navy Frank Knox today urged better protection for the Norfolk-Portsmouth harbor and warned "that there is a fifth column element here which cannot be ignored."

He made the statement at a press conference while on an inspection trip of eastern seaboard ports.

The harbor here, Knox said, was the second worst protected of any in the nation. (He didn't say what the worst was). He declared a fireboat and police boat were needed and urged the city to accept the responsibility for increased protection.

"Should a bombing raid occur here serious damage would be inflicted," he said. "As far as I can see there is absolutely no protection now. The situation here is grave, especially in view of the fact that there is a fifth column element here which cannot be ignored."

"This is a duty that the city of Norfolk should have no hesitancy about assuming, because Norfolk depends entirely on Navy activity here. Should naval activities be destroyed by fire here, Norfolk would not be a city any more."

Knox refused to comment on the number of merchant ships sunk off the Atlantic coast. He disclosed, however, that protection would be increased during the next 60 days.

He said a large number of new patrol vessels would be added to the area extending from Maine to Jacksonville, Fla. Protection also will be increased for west coastal waters, he said.

Knox said that most merchant ships still were flying the waters unarmed. He added, however, that these ships gradually were getting guns.

Negro, Noted in USSR, Dies

(By Cable to Intercontinental News)

MOSCOW, March 20—Lloyd Patterson, young American Negro from New York City, died here this week. He had worked in Moscow for the past ten years as an interior decorator and movie actor.

Lloyd Patterson's mother spent several years in the Soviet Union, and wrote a booklet, popular in the U. S. S. R., about her experiences as a Soviet factory worker. She is now back in the United States.

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Marxist Classes Favorite Study at Workers School

Principles of Communism and Marxism-Leninism were the most popular courses at the Workers School this term, a recently completed registrar's report on the 1942 winter term reveals.

Of the 2,304 enrolled students who jammed the classes to get a Marxist key to world problems, 880 took courses in scientific socialism, 562 in Political Economy, 435 in World War and 205 in Marxism and the War.

The will to defeat the Axis was also expressed by large audiences in classes on the Nation at War, Current Events, Trade Unionism, World Politics and the National Question.

The majority of the students, according the report, were young—between the ages of 21 and 25, with the two next largest groups came in the 16 to 20 and 25 to 30 brackets.

Of all the students who worked during the day, close to 900 were

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CITY C.I.O. MOVES FOR JOINT WAR RALLY WITH A.F.L.

Labor Unity Behind U.S. War Effort Stressed

Council Meeting Assails Smith Bill; Backs Farmers Union

By George Morris

The Greater New York Council of the CIO at its regular meeting at Manhattan Center Thursday night named a committee of eight to "promote and plan" a joint demonstration with the American Federation of Labor here to show labor's support behind the country's war effort.

Secretary-treasurer Saul Mills, nominating the committee in behalf of the council's executive committee, reported that a move is under way through the office of Mayor LaGuardia to bring the two wings of labor together for a gigantic demonstration in the near future.

There was no indication, however, on whether an agreement has already been reached and how soon the project would be in its practical stage.

The Council took action on a series of other important matters:

Following a report of Clifford McAvoy, its legislative representative, the Council adopted a resolution "sharply denouncing" the new Smith Bill to kill the 40-hour week and "shackle the free American labor movement," and called upon all affiliates to make their protest emphatic through telegrams and letters.

BACK FARMERS' UNION

Declared full backing for the Farmers' Union of the New York Milksheds, headed by Archie Wright, and, along with his own token contribution of \$50, asked all affiliates to help the union financially.

Gave endorsement to the conference of Russian War Relief, Inc., scheduled here for April 11.

Heard of progress its committee is making to obtain the Mayor's cooperation on loud-speaker arrangements for noon-hour factory meetings to rouse the workers behind the war.

Called on all affiliates to petition Congressmen not to vote a cent for the Dies Committee.

A high point of the meeting was the report of Charles Schroeder, president of Local 12185, District 50, United Mine Workers, whose charter was lifted and property seized by John L. Lewis because the union has been in the forefront in support of the war.

CHARGES ANTI-SEMITISM

Schroeder, describing how Lewis' henchmen are seeking to split the union into some 20 separate locals, also charged that the new UMWA representatives are also carrying on a campaign of anti-Semitism.

"We are not just fighting John L. Lewis, we are fighting everything he stands for," said Schroeder to the general applause of the delegates. "We consider him an applier of the worst kind and we don't want any appeasers or any part of them. Yes, he may pull the mine union out of the CIO, but I can assure you he'll never take us along with him."

Schroeder said the local is taking its chapter fight into court.

A considerable part of the session was devoted to the report of James Lustig, for the Committee on Production, Conversion and Re-training.

Lustig cited the progress his union, the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, has made in boosting production where joint management-labor committees were formed. He reported on steps the committee has taken to win the Mayor for the idea of utilizing idle machine shops under the city's control for training of workers for war industries. He received much encouragement in the effort, Lustig reported.

The fact that workers put in long hours and often do so unaware of developments in the war, makes them victims to much confusion sown by appeasers, Lustig stressed. For that reason the effort is being made to promote factory gate meetings, he said, indicating that the Mayor has shown favor for the proposal.

The Council acted on the Farmers' Union after the five-point program of that organization was read. The program declared for full support of the war, high production of milk products to supply the country "and for lend-lease shipment abroad to our Allies"; recognizes "common interest" between farmers and labor and calls for cooperation; supports the Federal Milk Marketing Order and the latest amendments to improve it; and maintains that farmers should have their own "separate organization, run from the bottom by the producers themselves, absolutely free and clear of any Milk Trust (dealer) influence, and maintaining relations with organized labor."

The program is in contrast to the trust-controlled Dairy Farmers' organization which recently threw its lot with John L. Lewis by affiliating with District 50, UMWA.

All America Should Demand A Congressional Investigation

AN EDITORIAL

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from any but a fascist-minded person? Can it have any other purpose than deliberately to break up the growing government-employer-labor cooperation and throw the country into conflict and turmoil just when maximum unity is needed to defeat the enemy?

THERE is no doubt, as President Roosevelt has said, that many honest citizens are confused about the 40-hour week and other labor questions. But surely these patriotic though misinformed people do not subscribe to the ideas quoted here from certain Louisiana editors. Certainly, they would never lend their names to a proposal to wipe out the American labor movement which has stopped all strikes and has proved to be indispensable to the increase of war production. Certainly, they would be the first to raise their voices and their might against any threat of violence and civil war against the government of the United States as hinted at in the wire of one of the Louisiana editors.

The charges about the 40-hour week and "strikes" in war industries have been fully refuted by the President, high government, Army and Navy officials and patriotic employers. In light of this refutation and in view of the type of quotations presented here from some Louisiana editors, is it not evident that an organized attempt is being made to exploit and inflame the widespread misinformation in order to block labor-employer cooperation and prevent increases in war production?

Not only have shameful slanders been committed against the patriotic organizations of labor; but what is even still more serious, an attack has been launched against the nation's unity and the war effort.

In this situation it becomes the duty of every loyal American—all middle class and professional people, all farmers and the many, many patriotic employers, every Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club, to speak out against this organized attempt, especially through the Smith Bill, to create friction and whip up discord. They should write to their Congressmen and send delegations to the Capitol, calling for a complete investigation of the Fifth Column at work behind the scenes.

The duty to speak out in this grave situation is as important as the duty to bear arms against the enemy.

Hail CIO Special Session as Boon To U.S. War Effort

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advantage of what the President described as "an amazing state of public misinformation" on the labor situation, the statement pointed out that the bill spread the falsehoods that the Wage-Hour Law did not permit more than 40 hours of work per week.

The Wage-Hour Law merely provides that time and a half for overtime must be paid above 40 hours, but puts no limit on the number of hours a worker may put in during a week.

Referring to the provisions of the bill which would suspend all union contracts providing for a 40 hour week, outlaw the right to strike and prohibit the closed shop, union shop or maintenance of membership contracts, the statement declared:

"This is an attempt by those who always fought labor to take advantage of the war situation to place labor in bondage and deprive it of the hard-won gains it has made over a period of 50 years. The passage of this swine ship bill would be a severe blow to the morale of the working people of this country. This is not the way to win the war. Fight Hitler, not labor."

A PRODUCTION AID

Henry Wenning, national secretary-treasurer of the State, County and Municipal Workers of America, CIO, expressed his opinion that the conference would greatly accelerate the efforts of labor to step up production for victory.

"The American people are becoming better acquainted with the real sincerity and determination of labor to produce the materials to defeat the Axis," he said. "The difficulties that have presented themselves are in some instances technical. These are being ironed out. The other and greater difficulties—the obstacles being placed in the way of all-out production by reactionary employers and Congressmen—must be spotlighted so the people can help stymie their anti-war efforts by a storm of protest."

"This conference, I am sure, will further the plans of Donald Nelson and the War Production Board. It will serve to bring labor's part in the whole war effort to a still higher, more effective plane."

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production," he said. "It will serve to put labor's position squarely before the American people and put the enemies of our victory effort—those employers who resist war production as well as the Smiths in Congress—on the spot. Labor is out to win this war and we're not going to be strangled in our efforts by Hitler's friends."

MUST FIGHT OBSTRUCTION

Max Perlow, vice-president of the United Furniture Workers, said the questions of production and the Smith Bill facing the emergency conferences are actually "one and the same thing."

"The big question before labor is production and how to put full strength behind the assembly-line offensive," he said. "But no production drive can be successful unless we drive away from its path the Smiths in Congress—and the spot. Labor is out to win this war and we're not going to be strangled in our efforts by Hitler's friends."

"Labor knows its stake in this war and how important it is to get armaments to the fighting front. For that reason it is so important to arouse the people against those who throw monkey-wrenches into the production machinery that is now gaining speed."

"Hitler couldn't devise a better way to obstruct our war effort than the service he is now receiving from men such as Smith."

Gov't Interns Wheeler-Hill

JAMES WHEELER-HILL, former secretary of the German-American Bund has been interned by the U. S. Army as an enemy alien. He was arrested last Dec. 11.

He came to the United States illegally by jumping ship, but testified before a joint legislative committee in June, 1938, that he was born in San Francisco and was an American citizen.

On grounds of perjury he was sentenced to an indefinite prison term in February, 1940. After being released from prison late last year he was kept under surveillance by the Department of Justice serving a 16-year sentence as a Nazi spy.

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FDR Cites All-Out Role By Labor

Figures Blast Lies on 'Strikes,' Unions Back Production Drive

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hours per week in key industries are the following:

Foundries and machine — 46.9; electrical machine — 45.5; brass, bronze and copper — 44.1.

Engine making — 51.1; Blast furnaces — 39.8; Smelting — 39.8; Machine tools — 35; Airplane frames — 40.7; Explosives — 44.9; Aluminum — 45.9.

In smelting and blast furnaces the two industries where the hours are slightly below 40, the President said that there is continuous 24-hour multiple shift operation.

In some individual plants, the average hours per week are much higher, the President said. He cited one machine tool plant where the workers are working 77 hours per week.

The President said that he felt this was too much.

Murray and Green cited similar figures, and revealed that a recent labor department survey showed that \$46 out of 650 manufacturers polled believed that overtime pay for more than 40 hours a week did not stand in the way of increased production.

The President also told his press conference that 460,000 man days of work were lost in 1941 due to industrial accidents. This was 5 per cent higher than in 1940.

In 1941, the President said, 101,500 workers were killed and 350,000 workers were permanently disabled as a result of industrial accidents.

Respiratory illnesses, including colds, resulted in a loss of 160,000 man days of work in 1941, the President revealed.

He then pointed out that only 30,000 man days were lost as a result of strikes in 1941. This came to one fifteenth of the time lost as a result of accidents.

Green and Murray also provided some figures on strikes to the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee.

They revealed that according to official statistics only 4,100 of one per cent of time worked during January of this year was lost as a result of strikes.

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GREEN SHOWS CONTRAST

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State UE Production Program in Full Swing

**85,000 Workers Mobilized for All-Out Output
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(Special to the Daily Worker)
SCHENECTADY, N. Y., March 20.—The 85,000 workers of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America are this week translating into action the decisions of their District Production Conference held last weekend in Schenectady where 200 delegates and International Officers of the Electrical Workers Union met to discuss the all-important question of production to beat the Axis.

The delegates representing many of the largest defense plants in the New York area agreed unanimously to set up production councils.

Topics under discussion include the need of organizing the remainder of industry to help further the war program.

The discussion of organization was led by James Matles, Director of Organization, and Willard Bliss International Representative.

To wipe out industrial delays and to prove the union's program in action, the conference agreed to set up production councils in every plant, the proposed program for the councils is outlined in the following ten points.

1. Extending second and third shifts until they equal the first shift.

2. Where three shifts are in full operation, establishing four shifts to keep the machines operating 36 hours a week.

3. Reducing scrap, waste and spotage of vital and scarce materials.

4. Developing a program for cutting down absences, for health, or any other reasons.

5. Plan for the prevention of accidents.

6. Maintain machinery to prevent breakdowns.

7. Seek out suggestions from the workers for increasing the capacity of the machines.

8. Plan plant operations and training so that a supply of adequately skilled labor will be available immediately from among present workers.

9. See that a training program is instituted in your plant or community to train new workers. Fight against discrimination in training so that the greatest possible number may be brought into the productive effort.

10. Set up a production quota for your plant, and for each department, and keep the employees posted on how production is going.

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Coast Negroes Call Victory Conference

This Is Our War' Churchmen, Trade Unionists Say in Rallying People

By Jack Young

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, March 20.—"This is our war," eight leading Negro churchmen, fraternalists and trade unionists said here today in announcing an "Emergency Victory Conference" to be held here next month.

Purpose of the conference will be to "work out ways and means to cooperate with our government and the trade union movement in a great military and productive offensive that will bring about the military defeat of Hitlerism."

The call for the conference asserted that "we will not be trapped into disloyalty to our country by the foul slanders of Fascist agents in this country."

"They die that we may preserve in the face of the brutal attack of German, Italian and Japanese fascism the heritage of our social and human advancement bequeathed by the Declaration of Independence, the Emancipation Proclamation and the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments to the United States Constitution."

"Our liberties, our homes, our lives are threatened by the menace of fascism. The Rome-Berlin-Tokio Axis, a political-military alliance, is out to enslave the world."

"The rights of the Negro people are inseparably bound up with the development of national unity, for national defense, for the military defeat of German and Japanese fascism."

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Local 6 International Association of Machinists, AFL, has placed qualified Negroes in jobs with the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Co. on the West Coast.

This information was furnished Dr. Malcolm S. McLean, chairman of the Fair Employment Practice Committee, here this week. The FEPC, in its hearings at Los Angeles last October, had been told by a number of skilled Negro workers that they had been unable to work at the shipbuilding yards.

The FEPC cited the situation to the President, who immediately consulted with William Green, president of the AFL, to take action on the ban against Negro workers.



Almost a Sad Story:

If this Axis bomb had hit a few feet closer to this British warship the result would not have been the happy one it is. Newsweek photo was taken during an Axis aerial attack on a convoy near bomb-scarred Malta in the Mediterranean.

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CIO-AFL Electrical Unions Hail Joint Plan

Hail LaGuardia Proposal; To Meet on April 4 for Common Industry Pact

Both the CIO Electrical Workers Union and the AFL International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers yesterday expressed warm approval for a plan to work out a joint collective bargaining agreement to cover wages and working conditions in plants which were hitherto subject to jurisdictional disputes between the two unions.

The acceptance of the plan for joint negotiations, put forward by Mayor LaGuardia in a letter to both unions, writes a new chapter in the history of settlement of jurisdictional disputes.

The conference, invitations to which were accepted for the CIO union by James Lustig, district organizer, and by Samuel Dobbins, business agent of Local 3, IBEW, will be held in the Mayor's office on April 4.

Firms whose representatives will attend include the Leviton Mfg. Co., Dihel Mfg. Co., the Eagle Electric Co., the Marx Mfg. Co. and the Gem Electric Co.

The decision to submit a uniform program of wages and working conditions to the manufacturers was the outgrowth of a "no-raiding" pact signed between the two unions several months ago.

Mr. Lustig hailed the agreement to hold joint negotiations as a "great step forward toward stabilizing the industry, doing away with jurisdictional difficulties" and speeding production for war in the plants affected.

Mr. Dobbins of Local 3, IBEW, welcomed the agreement because he deemed jurisdictional disputes "wasteful" in the present national emergency. All our attention, he said, should be devoted to fighting the Axis, not each other.

Eugene Gordon, Others Address Symposium in Harlem

Hitler is the main enemy of the Negro, as he is of the American people as a whole, and the Negro press should concentrate its biggest guns upon the Hitler-Mussolini-Hirohito Axis.

That was one of the highlights of Eugene Gordon's introductory speech Thursday at the symposium on "Problems of Writing and Publishing Negro News," last of this season's "Evenings with Negro Authors," held in the main auditorium of the Harlem Branch Library, 9 W. 124th St., under the auspices of the Schomburg Collection of Negro Literature.

Gordon spoke on the Daily and the Sunday Worker's treatment of the Negro people in news and editorials.

Other speakers were Julius Adams, Ludlow W. Werner and St. Clair Bourne, managing editors respectively of the Amsterdam Star-News, the New York Age and the Peoples Voice, Negro weeklies, and Tom O'Connor, specialist in Negro news for P.M.

"We believe we can prevent our own fascists becoming as dangerous by going all out against the Hitler-Mussolini-Hirohito Axis now,

thus stopping his reaching here to raise his agents to state power."

He said the Daily and the Sunday Worker believed a considerable part of the fight to prevent a Hitler victory over us lay in forcing employers to hire Negro workers in war industries, "so they may help to manufacture the machines to defeat Hitler in Europe."

The Daily and the Sunday Worker believed also, he said, that one way of stopping Hitler abroad is to expose and defeat Hitler agents who try to keep Negro war workers out of the Soujourner Truth houses in Detroit, "thus setting white and Negro against one another and threatening the basis of national unity."

Other speakers confined themselves chiefly to explaining the role of the Negro press and to answering questions and discussion from the large audience.

Dr. Lawrence D. Reddick, Curator of the Schomburg Collection, presented

for the task by President John Green of the IUMSWA, said at a Hotel Taft press conference, the plan which he has submitted has now received approval from series of government agencies, so that now the New York Board of Education can set it in motion.

Endorsement came from the U. S. Maritime Commission; United States Office of Education, Washington; New York State Office of Education; shipbuilding employers in the port of New York; AFL Building Trades Council and the Board of Education of New York City.

Present with Mr. McPherson were Patrick Hayes and Frank Murray of the IUMSWA who were named as trade advisors for the training course.

They will work from the Board of Education offices at 110 Livingston St., Brooklyn.

The plan, part of a nation-wide effort to speed production in the 24-hours a day basis.

The IUMSWA will supply the skilled mechanics who will do the teaching. The classes will be on a

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They're Saying In Washington

By Adam Lapin



Snipers in Congress and Hitler's Theory Of the 'Big Lie' Arent Dies, Smith & Co.

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

—Washington, March 20

REP. MARTIN DIES and his supporters told the House last week how much they hated the Axis. They beat their breasts in angry denial of the charges that the Dies Committee had systematically failed to investigate the real Fifth Column. They said that the Committee was all set to tell the whole story about axis propaganda, to reveal the extent of Falangist activities in Latin America, to expose Nazi movements here designed to create disunity and racial antagonisms.

That was when the resolution to extend the life of the Dies Committee for another ten months was before the House—when the Committee was under attack from a few far-sighted and courageous Congressmen.

And once the resolution was safely passed, a group of prominent Congressmen who were among the most ardent supporters of the Dies Committee started a little anti-Semitic whispering campaign. They walked around in the cloakrooms and on the floor of the House and said to their colleagues: "Did you notice? All the Jewish Congressmen voted against the Dies Committee." They left the inference that opposition to the Dies Committee had been Jewish-inspired.

HITLER has long been world's leading exponent of the lie, not of the small lie, but of the big lie. It is pretty plain by this time that professional snipers and copperheads in Congress are playing Hitler's game. But it is worth noting that they are also using Hitler's technique of the lie.

The Dies Committee is a perfect example. Its whole existence has been devoted toward spreading the Hitler anti-Communist line. But that doesn't stop Martin Dies from saying that he has been trying to combat the Axis Fifth Column all along—and that it was the Roosevelt administration which has blocked his efforts.

Hitler has told the German people that the Jews are the international Communists who are trying to destroy capitalism. He has also told them that the Jews are the international bankers who are trying to preserve capitalism. The people will believe anything according to the Nazis.

Rep. John Rankin of Mississippi, one of the most vociferous backers of the Dies Committee, used some of this Hitler language on the House floor last year. The late Congressman Michael Edelstein was so infuriated by this outburst of Nazism that he died of a heart attack shortly after answering Rankin's anti-Semitic tirade. And only this week Rep. Clare Hoffman, the inveterate Michigan labor-baiter who is also a Dies enthusiast, used the old Nazi phrases about "international bankers" and "international politicians" in the speech on the House floor.

Hoffman made this speech on an interesting occasion. A group of Congressmen, including Hoffman and Rep. Robert Rich of Pennsylvania, were soon after a little folder put out by the Friends of Democracy, Inc., accusing them and several other members of the House of "making statements that can be heard any night on your short wave radio coming straight from Berlin and Rome."

It isn't true, they said. And they joined in the fervent protestations of patriotism which had been made earlier the same day by Rep. Ham Fish, the friend of George Sylvester Viereck, the convicted Nazi agent. They all made big speeches in which they said the only thing they wanted was to win the war. All they were striving for was national unity. Hoffman's remarks echoing Hitler propaganda were made during the course of this fake national unity chorus put on by the appeasers in the House.

OR consider the present drive by Rep. Howard Smith and a lot of newspapers that ought to know better to repeal the Wage and Hour Act and a host of other labor laws.

It's all being done in the name of permitting workers to work in arms factories more than 40 hours a week. It's being done in the name of getting increased production to beat Hitler.

The only trouble with this whole campaign is that it is based on a vast lie. There is no mandatory 40-hour week in American industry, and most of the important arms factories are working more than 40 hours now. The only provision of the Wage and Hour Law on the 40-hour week is that time and a half must be paid for work over 40 hours. The effect of this part of the Smith bill will simply be to cut wages by eliminating overtime pay. And the only people who will benefit from this disruptive move are a few sweatshop employers—and the Nazis who like nothing better than this kind of heated national debate in an enemy country on a completely phony issue.

Then there is the great drive to stop strikes and stoppages in war industry. The Halls of Congress are ringing with the demand that workers stay on the job, and scores of newspapers have joined in this valiant crusade.

But, as President Roosevelt told his press conference the other day, there is no strike problem. There are no strikes worth speaking of. And the unions have pledged to maintain continuous production.

War Production Chief Donald Nelson and Speaker Sam Rayburn of the House have emphasized in recent statements that the current campaign of sniping is right in line with Nazi propaganda efforts to divide the people. And Rayburn, an old-line conservative Congressman from the South who apparently takes the war a little more seriously than some of his colleagues, has suggested that the energy being expended in stopping non-existent strikes might be used to help win the war.

There isn't any doubt about it. Hitler and his copperhead allies in this country are using the technique of the big lie in order to divert the people fighting among themselves, in order to divert their attention from the main job of beating the Axis.

But the people are beginning to catch on. Wasn't it Abraham Lincoln who said that you can't fool all of the people all of the time?

WPB Asks Bakers End Ready-Sliced Loaves

WASHINGTON, March 20 (UPI).

The War Production Board suggested today that bakers abandon production of ready-sliced loaves as a means of keeping bread prices at present levels.

The suggestion was part of general WPB recommendations that bakers reduce their operating costs so that it will not be necessary to advance the price of baked goods, despite increases in cost of raw materials, labor and transportation.

Bart van der Shelling will sing songs of the International Big de

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The Fifth Column— Its Name and Address

The country and its leaders are rapidly coming to realize that an enormous Fifth Column of defeatist propagandists is endangering our whole war effort.

Mr. Archibald MacLeish, head of the Office of Facts and Figures, yesterday served notice to these gentry that the country is awakening to its peril, that America is coming to see who the Fifth Column really is.

It is, said MacLeish, "the newspaper publisher to whom treason itself is not detestable if by treason he can injure those he hates."

Whom does this fit if not William Randolph Hearst of the Hearst press, Col. Robert McCormick of the Chicago Tribune and Col. Patterson of the New York Daily News, and his ineffable sister "Cissie" Patterson of the Washington Times-Herald.

The enemy, continued Mr. MacLeish with blistering accuracy, is the propagandist "who fears and hates our allies more than he trusts his fellow-citizens"; he is "the bigot who would willingly see the United States destroyed if Russia could be destroyed in the same disaster."

Who is this if not the whole gang of America Firsters in Congress, the Cliveden Set conspirators who infest our newspapers, our radio broadcasting rooms, preaching disunity and defeatism?

The New York Herald Tribune yesterday named names. It named Senators Hiram Johnson, Tobey and Clark and such. It named Hearst, Joseph M. Patterson and Col. Robert R. McCormick. It demanded to know by what right these gentry continue loudly to pump their views into the public mind, views "which invariably come down in one way or another to embarrassing policy or strategy, spreading suspicion or division among the United Nations, or making some kind of trouble for the war effort."

To name names is necessary to defeat this internal enemy. It is the only way the people will learn to recognize the enemy's face. It is the only way to mobilize the country against the Fifth Column, which consists not merely of alien agents, but of pro-Hitler native Americans.

We think that Mr. MacLeish and the Herald Tribune have done a service to the country and to its unity. We also believe that the Herald Tribune's own cogent indictment against a personage like Hearst proves that it itself cannot editorially view his activities, and those of his mind, as merely a "parliamentary opposition" within the camp of victory. These people are outside the camp of victory. They are organizers of defeat.

Hearst hastens to prove the Tribune's and MacLeish's indictment. Hearst uses the transfer of General MacArthur to Australia as an opportunity to arouse hatred against the Government's war leadership. Hearst yesterday urged America to betray its allies, Britain, the USSR and China, thus isolating itself for an easy Axis conquest. Hearst's paper yesterday stabbed MacArthur in the back by calling our war an "Anglo-Saxon war" thus deliberately insulting our Chinese and colonial allies. Thus Hearst reveals himself as the arch-type of that internal enemy against whom Mr. MacLeish and the Herald Tribune so properly warn the nation. The fight against the Fifth Column has begun. Let there be no half-way stop.

A War Lesson from New Guinea

The revelation that long-resident German "missionaries" in Australian New Guinea are now acting as guides for the invading Japanese forces should not only shock but enlighten American opinion.

The lesson is that Berlin and Tokio are acting with complete unity, military and political, against their intended victims. There are no reservations in the Axis military alliance.

It seems to us that the democratic powers of the United Nations cannot afford to act with any less unity, military and political, than its deadly enemy. This requires that the present collaboration between the United States and the Soviet Union be crowned and given its maximum effectiveness by a full military and political alliance.

In New Guinea, the German "missionaries" had lived for years as naturalized citizens. They had displayed their covert or open sympathy for fascism. Yet complacency permitted them to prepare unhindered for their present treason. This lesson also cannot be overlooked by the United Nations.

As Hitler summons another vast army for his Spring operations, and as the Japanese advance in the Pacific, too many of our news-

papers still content themselves with asking "Where will Hitler strike next?" Such speculation is empty and dangerous. It lulls us into passivity, and blinds us to the urgent necessity for our own initiative.

The question has got to be transformed, so that the Axis, and Hitler begin to ask worriedly "Where will the United Nations strike next?"

We have got to switch to the offensive against the heart of the Axis in such a manner that Hitler and Tokio will fearfully look at the coasts of Europe in dread of an approaching blow at their exposed flank.

This is another lesson of the smooth-working treachery now coming to light in the forests of New Guinea.

Dorie Miller of Pearl Harbor

Dorie Miller's striking bravery at Pearl Harbor may help right one of those grave wrongs to the Negro people which scar our American democracy. At the Freedom House dinner Thursday night Wendell Willkie cited Miller's valiant feat, and then said: "He cannot enlist [except as a messman] in the United States Navy, and only for the reason that he was born with a black skin."

Scoring such an un-American set-up, Willkie then called upon the Navy to drop the rule which bars Negroes from our service at sea except as mess attendants.

With this demand all Americans who respect our democracy and who know how valuable such an act of justice would be to the national unity of the country will express enthusiastic agreement. This is a move which has been delayed too long, as the Daily Worker has stressed time and time again.

When we consider the deep devotion to our America which Miller displayed at Pearl Harbor, we can appreciate much more fully the high patriotism of the Negro people in spite of the unjust burdens and discriminations placed upon them. With the admiral dead and the regular boat's crew on which he served as mess-boy scattered by enemy plane fire, Miller came up from his place below deck and took over a machine gun. In the face of withering fire, he operated it effectively against the Japanese. And yet, in his native state of Texas, where his parents are sharecroppers, he is denied the vote through the infamous poll tax and other discriminations against his people. Perhaps even his name would have been left undisclosed had it not been for the persistence of that sterling democrat, Representative Vito Marcantonio.

Dorie Miller deserves the highest military honors from his country for this daring and valiant deed. The best of all the ways to honor what he has done is to remove the discrimination which is practiced against him and his people in the armed forces, particularly in the Navy, and also in civilian life.

A Pro-Fascist Committee— Help End It

To give added point to his opposition to the continuation of the Rapp-Coudert Committee, Dr. Maxwell Ross, Democratic Party leader in Brooklyn, cites the warning issued by President Roosevelt against disrupters of our war unity.

Dr. Ross has put his finger on exactly the right spot. For the Rapp-Coudert Committee is envisaged by its sponsors as nothing but a weapon for anti-victory disruption.

That such an enemy of the Government's war program as William Randolph Hearst is leading the campaign for the Rapp-Coudert Committee tells the whole story.

"Our Commander-in-Chief," says Dr. Ross in supporting the President's warning against disunity, "clearly points the way in the controversy over the Rapp-Coudert Committee." That way is to end this Coughlin-inspired campaign working through a state legislative committee.

Dr. Ross calls attention to the instructive fact which has already aroused the just suspicions of many New Yorkers that the Rapp-Coudert Committee spent more than \$200,000 without uncovering or questioning a single pro-fascist Christian Front in our schools. Yet it is common knowledge that these subversive pro-Nazi cliques are operating insidiously within our schools. The pro-fascist bias of the committee could hardly be more vividly indicated.

We urge that you lose no time in wiring your state representatives at Albany. Write or write to your Assemblyman and State Senator opposing any further funds for the Rapp-Coudert anti-unity Committee.

Honoring Walt Whitman

The campaign to get a memorial for Walt Whitman in New York City, sponsored by our cultural page, will evoke, we are sure, a warm response in a city whose greatness he so eloquently sang.

Whitman's stirring songs to democracy are being rediscovered by millions of Americans today. They have a freshness and vigor which shine all the more brightly in these hours of mortal combat with world fascism. As in the days of America's struggle against chattel slavery, they stir the heart and mind to great deeds.

The idea of honoring Walt Whitman in this city should appeal to men and women of all walks of life. The project is practical and timely.

MOLOTOV GAVE FACTS

Kurt Langmask, Lance Corporal of the 203rd Artillery Regiment, a waiter from Berlin, said: "None of us will ever return to Hitlerite Germany, we will return to a new Germany liberated from the fascist yoke and purged of the Hitlerite scum. We will do everything possible to help create such a free Germany."

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CHANGE THE WORLD



Coughlinism Destroys Legend
Of the Good Priest
In American Minds

By MIKE GOLD

"Oh, come again, St. Patrick.
Our need is sore, sleek.
Dark days are come to Ireland,
The snakes are coiling back!"

THIS little verse, written in green ink on a penny postcard, arrived on St. Patrick's Day. The signature looked like a Gaelic slogan, but our three or four Gaels on the Daily Worker staff were out on the streets. Hence, the best I can make it is: "Dilehar Go Brath."

It is good to see the steady growth of Irish-American resistance to the Fifth Column of Coughlinism.

It has been awful to watch a people as sensitive to oppression as the Irish become tools of Hitler, the world's most insane bigot, and assassin of nations.

What can Ireland expect from the victory of Hitler but the same fate as France, Yugoslavia or Catholic Poland?

Ireland would be starved; all its food taken forcibly by Hitler.

Irish patriots would hang by the thousands in every city and village.

No Irish free press; no Irish free church; no Irish free state; no Irish literature; the suppression of Gaelic; the degradation of the Irish to the status of Hitler's colonial coolies—is this what the rulers of Ireland wish for their country?

They are mad if they think anything better can be gained by the defeat of America and England.

And they are blind if they cannot see that the defeat of world fascism will solve the Irish problem, which is the universal one of imperialism. We are not fighting merely to stop Hitler; we are making a new and better world.

The political masters of Ireland may choose to keep their country "neutral" against England and America, but the great majority of Irish-Americans are not such dubious neutrals.

Millions of them are in our Army and Navy, fighting in the Philippines, or in the merchant marine, on ships torpedoed by the Nazis.

Irish-Americans are among the most prominent leaders of our trade unions. They are all-out in the war against fascism, and are backed by armies of Irish-American workers in all the major war industries.

There is no subtle arguing and British-baiting here; this is simply a statistical fact.

The Hitlerites among the Irish-Americans are a small but windy minority. Even though they have part of the Catholic hierarchy with them, they are fighting against history.

The Irish-Americans may sing sentimental ballads like "Rosie O'Day," and retain an affection for the old country such as everyone has for a charming old grandmother.

But they have been here for more than a century, and cannot help being Americans. As a longshoreman said to me one day: "My tenement house is my Ireland. The public school where my children go is my Ireland. The docks where I make my living is my Ireland. That's what I'll fight for—my home."

A small country like Ireland can never win its freedom by its own efforts. It must have allies. America was always the most powerful ally of little Ireland. Millions of American dollars financed the Irish rebellion soon after the last World War. The strong public opinion here backed Ireland in its peace negotiations with the British Tories.

Now the Irish politicians seem anxious to cast off American aid and friendship, they are taking Nazi Germany for their new ally instead. What a choice!

The wolf promised the sheep to help him against their common enemy, the dog. The sheep has again, as in the fable, accepted this generous offer.

There are Irishmen and Irishwomen in New York, crazed by Coughlinism, who actually boast because Hitler has been massacring the Jews.

Because they cannot forget the historic wrongs done to Ireland by the British Empire, they enjoy the persecution of other minority groups by Hitler. What folly!

The slaughter of Jews can never free Ireland. The shooting of French hostages, the machinegunning of Dutch and Polish women and babies will not free Ireland.

And Hitler's victory over England and America will not free Ireland, but enslave it with the heaviest chains known in the cruel annals of history.

At a mass meeting of the American-Irish Defense Association on St. Patrick's day, Dr. William Agar of Freedom House resented "the bad name which has been given to Americans of Irish descent by a vicious vocal minority."

"We of Irish descent," he said, "must remember that Fascist agents seeking to divide us would have Americans believe that Irish Catholics are Fascists at heart."

Thus, the American Irish who are also Catholics begin to understand the great harm done them by the Coughlinites.

Coughlin and his followers hate democracy, they hate liberals, they hate Jews. But they have done infinitely less harm to Jews, Liberals and New Dealers than they have done to their own folk and their own church.

Who would deny that there is more anti-Irish and anti-Catholic feeling in this country than there was before Coughlin started his ranting campaign of Jew-baiting and Roosevelt-baiting?

This, of course, is among the ignorant, who always mistake the bellow of the vocal minority for that of the more silent majority. But the prejudice will mount as the war continues.

Slowly, the American people are waking to the danger we are in. Defeat defeats; soon the Japanese and Nazis may be on our shores.

Americans aren't quitters or cowards. They will fight like heroes for their homes and institutions. Their slow but giant wrath will crush every foe.

And Father Coughlin is rooting for the Axis. And Father Curran is rooting for the U-boats. Too many priests of Irish extraction are prominent among the appeasers and pro-Nazis. They stand like enemy targets on the road to American victory.

If I were an Irish Catholic I would shudder with Dr. Agar at the explosive possibilities of such a situation. It is foolish even for an opportunist to bet his life that America will lose the war to Hitler.

These Coughlinites, who work with the approval of the hierarchy, are also fixing an evil image in the American mind.

For many years through American literature, the theatre and movies, there has passed the fictional character of a good priest, the Soggarth Aroon, beloved friend of all mankind.

Millions of us, non-Catholic, accepted this legend, and had a kindly respect for the Church and its good men.

It was not altogether a myth: I myself have known such good priests and their work in slum neighborhoods.

Not every man has the vocation for priesthood; bad or mediocre elements as in every human group, must drift in; but there are men with love in their hearts, who try to serve humanity as priests! This is true.

And what would creed or belief matter if the good men of the world could gather in congress to save humanity? The love in their hearts would unite them in finding a common path.

At such a Congress the Father Currants and Father Coughlins could not be admitted. They have not a spark of love in their bosoms. They sow hate and confusion among men. They are champions of race-hatred, and hatred of all that is just and decent in democracy. They are nothing but Hitlerites.

When a non-Catholic American thinks of the Church today is it the image of the good priest that floats through his mind, or the image of a Father Coughlin on fire with hatred, his face distorted with ranting against Roosevelt, Churchill, the democratic cause?

Father Coughlin, no doubt of it, is the loudest and best-known priest in the Catholic Church today. Is it good for the Church that he should remain such in the eyes of a nation fighting for its life against all that Coughlinism means? Why do the good Catholics tolerate these bad spokesmen? Coughlinism is doing them an untold injury for all time to come.

Husband and Wife Meet at The Music Hall

BEDTIME STORY, a Columbia picture produced by B. P. Schulberg, screen-play by Richard Fleischer, from story by Horace Jackson and Grant Garrett. Directed by Alexander Hall. At the Radio City Music Hall.

By Milton Meltzer

Colossal is showing off its latest marital comedy at the Music Hall with playright as the husband and a star-actress as the wife in this variation. Alexander Hall, the man who directed the delightfully original "Here Comes Mr. Jordan," tells this "Bedtime Story" and gets more than a few good laughs out of it. But the basic idea has had most of the juice squeezed out of it and it was not for the antics of Bob Benchley, Eve Arden and Allyn Joslyn, a happy trio of comics there would be nothing to say.

Actress Loretta Young announces she is to retire from the stage after her last success but husband Fredric March won't hear of it. He's just written another sure-fire hit and no one else will do for the lead. The story rolls on through a separation and Reno divorce, a split marriage and a fadeout reunion with Mrs. taking the bows at the curtain for Mr.'s new hit.

The story is cast in stage-play form and director Hall did little to re-fit it for the screen. Everybody talks and almost nothing happens. But there is Mr. Benchley as the playwright's amiably scoffing friend, Eve Arden as another actress and Allyn Joslyn as the banker who mistakenly thinks he has married Miss Young. A cop and a couple of character - actors who fake as lawyers give a few more moments of life to a broken-down hack.

The New Joan



Michele Morgan is the "Joan of Paris" who fights the Nazis in that film together with Paul Henreid. It's now at the Academy of Music; co-feature is "Playmates."

Writers School Adds New Course on Pamphlets for Defense

The Writers School has revised its curriculum for the spring term opening April 13 to include a course in the writing of pamphlets for defense. It was announced today by Dashiell Hammett, according to Morris Watson, former managing producer of *The Living Newspaper*: of the Federal Theater who will conduct the workshop group, the new course will be concerned with the problem of reaching the public quickly and effectively for defense action.

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Too Late!

Dodgers Trounce Yanks 12-4

Grapefruit World Series Opens with Allen, Kimball Humbling Champs—Brooks Bombard Yank Hurters

The Dodgers atoned somewhat for their World Series beating at the hands of the Yanks yesterday down in St. Pete when they walloped the Champs all over the lot in their first meeting of the season to win 12-4.

Robinson and Rubio at 144

Ray Robinson, unbeaten Harlem pitcher, weighed 141 and a quarter and Norm Rubio, Albany slugger, 144 as they went into the Madison Square Garden ring last night. This edition went to press too early for the result of the fight. See tomorrow's Sunday Worker for Lester Rodney's ringside observations and dressing room interviews.

CUB LEFTY TRIO
SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., March 18. (UPI)—Jimmy Wilson of the Chicago Cubs selected three left-handed batters for his 1942 outfit today and intensified a search for two or three right-handers to keep the opposition from "southpawing us to death all season," he said. Charley Gilbert, Phil Cavarretta and Bill Nicholson definitely were on the roster.

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Our Heroes:

McGee Lone Giant Note of Cheer; Galan May Be Dodger Surprise

Rookie Ryan One of Ott's Many Disappointments

By Nat Low

Touching all the bases on a fast jog around the baseball scene . . . The Dodgers rapped out more hits than in any other game this season, 19, and showed that they were much further advanced than the McCarthymen, thanks to their early start with the fine Cuban-Negro men in Havana.

Johnny Allen, the lantern-jawed big boy and Newt Kimball who Leo Durocher had named as a starter held the mighty Bombers to only eight hits and spaced out their runs over four separate innings.

Meanwhile the Dodgers were stepping into the hurling of Johnny Lindell, Rinaldo Ardizzone and John Murphy—19 hits and an even dozen runs.

Arkie Vaughan, the slugging third sacker led the parade with 4 for 4 and blasted 4 triples across the platter. Ducky Medwick, back in action after a brief spell on the bench, batted across three runs and Pee Wee Reese accounted for 3 with three hits in four trips to the plate.

Kimball was particularly effective, letting the Yanks down with only one run in five innings. Bring on that World Series!

Connie Ryan the much publicized kid second sacker is suffering from a bad case of the jitters and Mel Ott is having his hands full settling the kid down . . . The bench cure is about the only thing that helps and Connie will be cooling his heels in the dugout for a couple of days.

The Giants to date look as forlorn as they have been these past few years and Ott is suffering his first pains of anguish as a manager. Before the season is out they may be calling the Boy Wonder the "Old Man."

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TANKS

Gerry Priddy the transplanted third baseman of the Yanks hasn't failed to get on base in nine straight games. The kid is not much of a long hitter but combines speed with a fine eye and should be a thorn in the side of many an American league pitcher this season.

Discounting yesterday's slaughter by the Dodgers, the Yanks have had wonderful pitching this spring. Their rookies especially showing up well, and Lefty Gomez seems headed for a good season with probably as many as 12 wins to his credit.

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DODGERS

Archie Vaughan's four runs batted in yesterday off the hurling of the Yanks put the slugging ex-Pirate into the team lead in runs batted in. Archie has twice busted four runs across the plate in a single game.

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WHAT'S ON

MATINEES: What's On matines for the Daily and Sunday Workers are 25¢ per line (6 words to a line—3 lines minimum).

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